

RENEWING AMERICA'S FUTURE: ENERGY'S VISIONS

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming: Held a hearing entitled "Renewing America's Future: Energy Visions of Tomorrow, Today." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D991)

H.R. 3564, to amend title 5, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Administrative Conference of the United States through fiscal year 2011. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-290)

H.R. 3985, to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to register a person providing transportation by an over-the-road bus as a motor carrier of passengers only if the person is willing and able to comply with certain accessibility requirements in addition to other existing requirements. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-291)

H.R. 4289, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico, as the "Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic". Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-292)

H.R. 5501, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-293)

S. 231, to authorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-294)

S. 2607, to make a technical correction to section 3009 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-295)

S. 3218, to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks. Signed on July 30, 2008. (Public Law 110-296)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2008

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Finance: business meeting to consider S. 3038, to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to extend the adoption incentives program, to authorize States to establish a relative guardianship program, to promote the adoption of children with special needs, S. 1070, to amend the Social Security Act to enhance the social security of the Nation by ensuring adequate public-private infrastructure and to resolve to prevent, detect, treat, intervene in, and prosecute elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, and S. 1577, to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to require screening, including national criminal history background checks, of direct patient access employees of skilled nursing facilities, nursing facilities, and other long-term care facilities and providers, and to provide for nationwide expansion of the pilot program for national and State background checks on direct patient access employees of long-term care facilities or providers, 9 a.m., SD-215.

House

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Notification Update, 11 a.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the employment-unemployment situation for July 2008, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.